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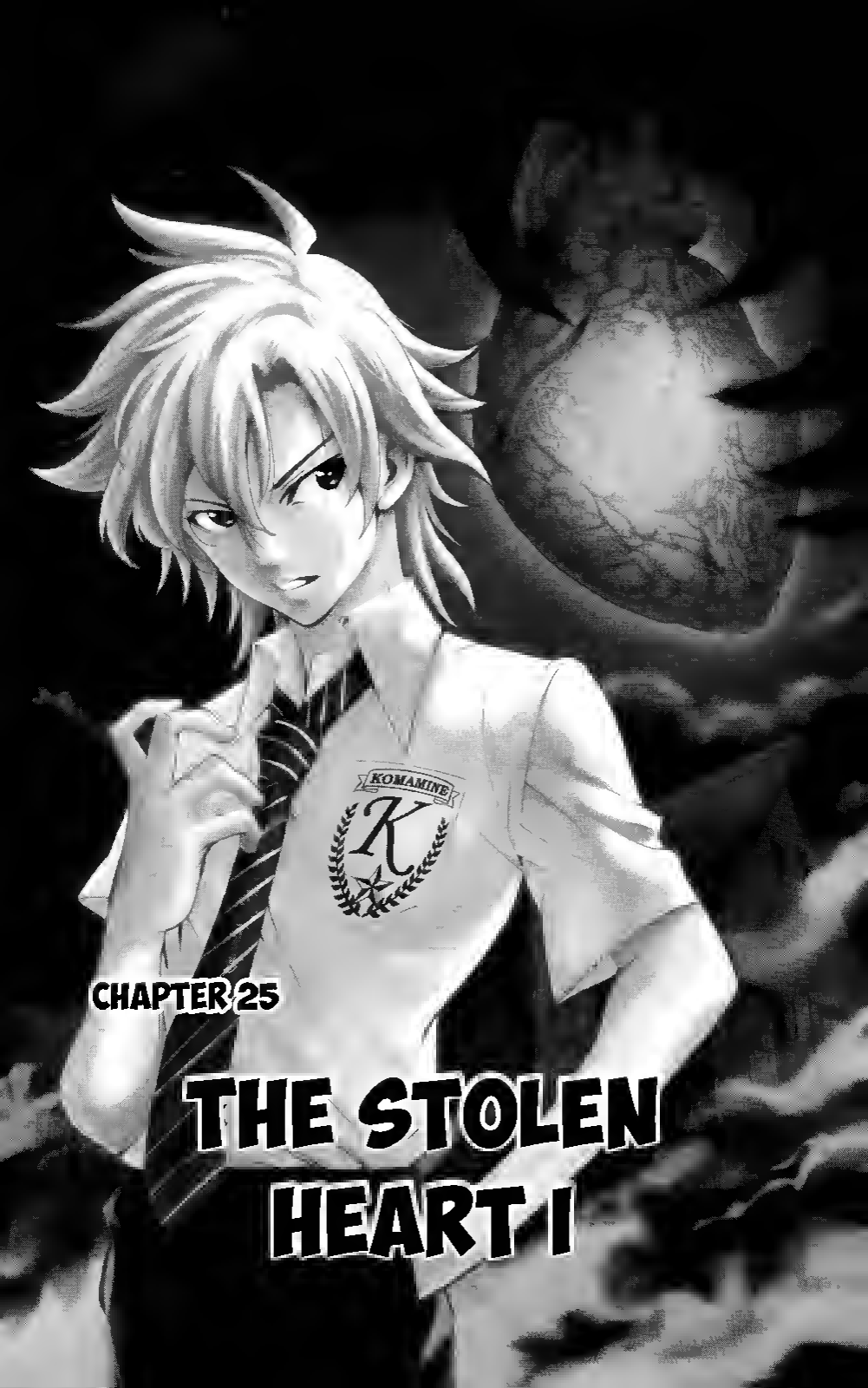

CHAPTER 25

THE STOLEN HEART I

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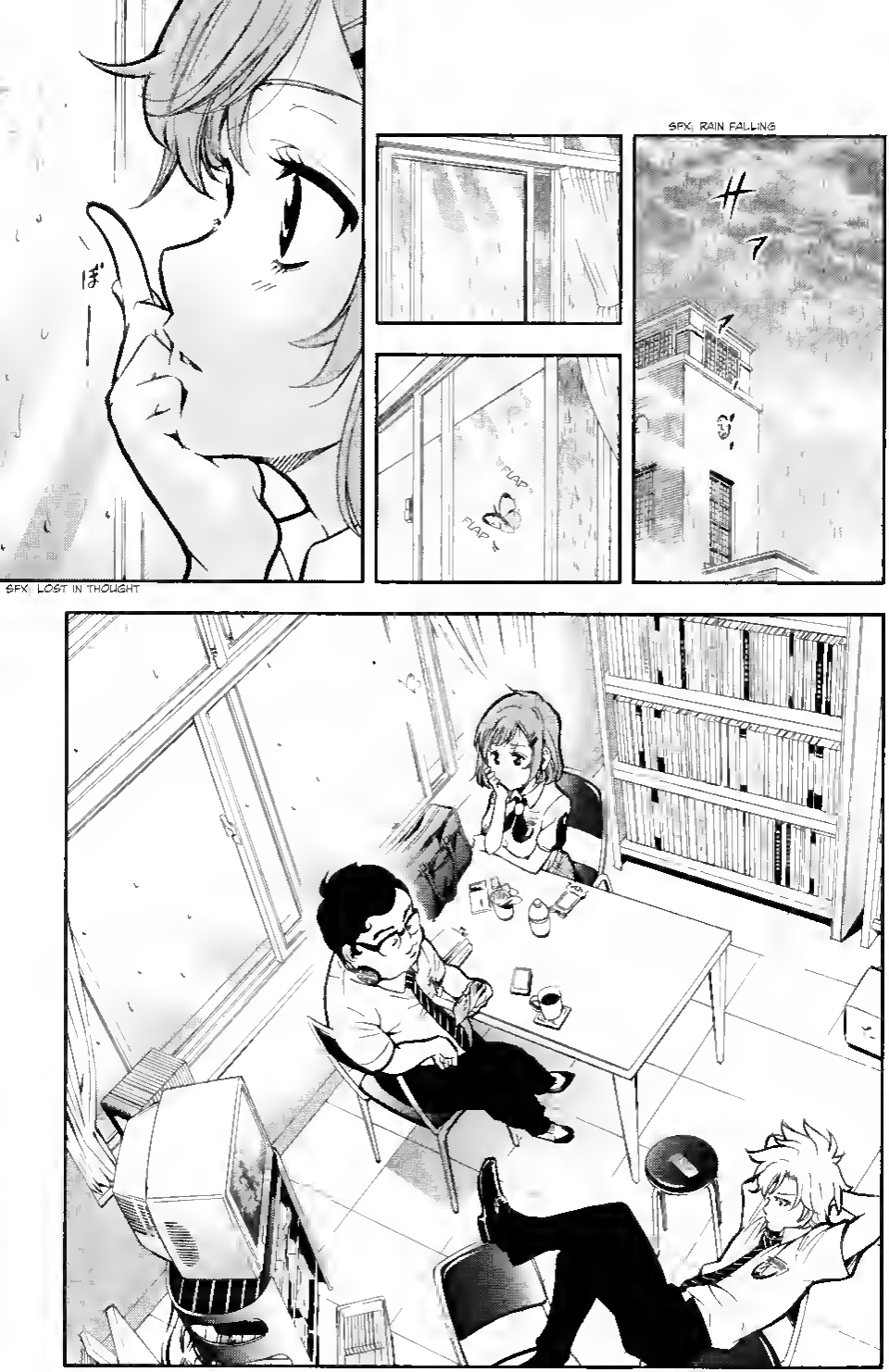
摩訶不思議
事件ファイル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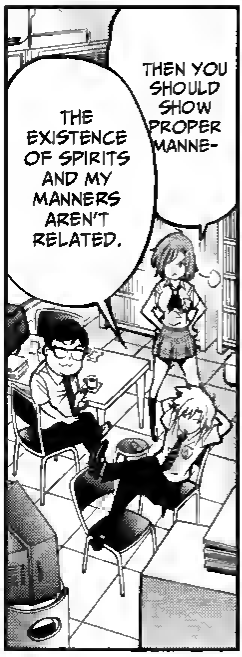
SFX: RAIN FALLING
FLAP
FLAP
SFX: LOST IN THOUGHT

TOMORROW IS THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF GRAND-MA'S DEATH.
I WAS THINKING THAT THE DAY SHE DIED, IT WAS DRIZZLING LIKE THIS, TOO...
Somehow, it's sad
IT'S VERY UNUSUAL, KINOSHITA-SAN.
YOU AREN'T EVEN READING A BOOK, JUST STARING INTO SPACE. .
sigh
OH... A BUTTER-FLY...?
FLAP
FLAP
DID IT COME HERE SEEKING SHELTER FROM THE RAIN?
FLAP
.....
TRUE... WHAT IF THIS BUTTERFLY IS MY GRANDMA ...?

KAZAOKA-SENPAI! IF YOU WATCH TV LIKE THAT, MY GRANDMA WILL SCOLD YOU FOR BEING ILL-MANNERED.
IT'S WHAT SHE HATED THE MOST.
I'M SURE IT'S TRUE, GRANDMA CAME TO SEE ME.
THEY SAY THAT BUTTERFLIES CARRY HUMAN SOULS...
EH? WELL...
BUT, SENPAI...?
USING SOMEONE WHO HAS PASSED AWAY TO LECTURE OTHERS,
DON'T YOU THINK THAT'S BEING RUDE TO PEOPLE?
DO YOU ADMIT THERE ARE SPIRITS OF THOSE WHO DIED?


THE EXISTENCE OF SPIRITS AND MY MANNERS AREN'T RELATED.
THEN YOU SHOULD SHOW PROPER MANNE-

I SUPPOSE YOU CAN'T DENY THE EXISTENCE OF SPIRITS.
IT'S COMMON ACROSS THE WORLD TO WORSHIP THE SPIRITS OF ANCESTORS.
KOMAMINE

IT SEEMS THERE ARE MANY CASES OF THE DEAD WHO CAME BACK TO LIFE ATTACKING PEOPLE..
IT'S A COLLECTION OF SUPERNATURAL PHENOMENA THAT HAVE OCCURRED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, AND AMONG THEM ARE STORIES OF THE DEAD COMING BACK TO LIFE
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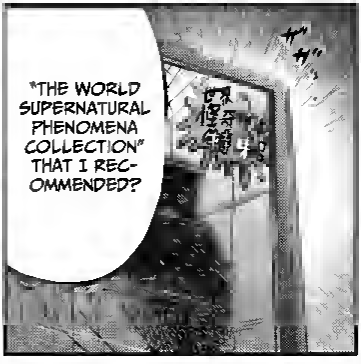
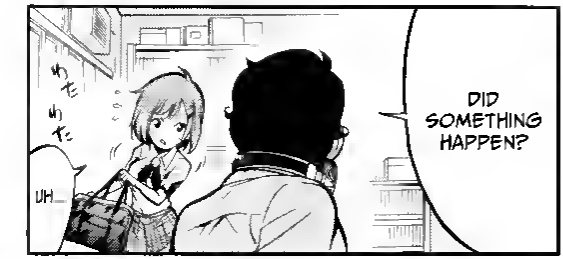
HOW IS IT, KAZAOKA-KUN?

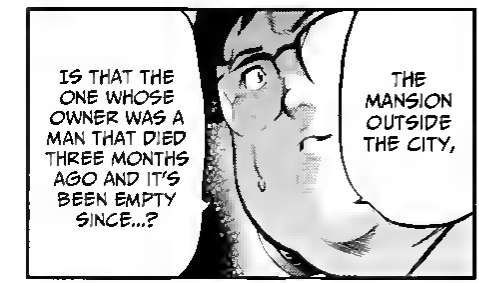

"THE WORLD SUPERNATURAL PHENOMENA COLLECTION" THAT I REC-OMMENDED?

HUH, THE DVD HAS STOPPED?
..DID SOMETHING BREAK?
IT'S BECAUSE GRANDMA IS ANGRY!
.....
HUH? THE SOUND OF A PHONE.
Bzzzz——
Bzzzz——
IS IT FROM NIKAIDOU-SAN AGAIN...?
IT ISN'T MY PHONE...
Akino Sarada
Incoming
Bzzzz——
Bzzzz——
AH, IT'S MINE!

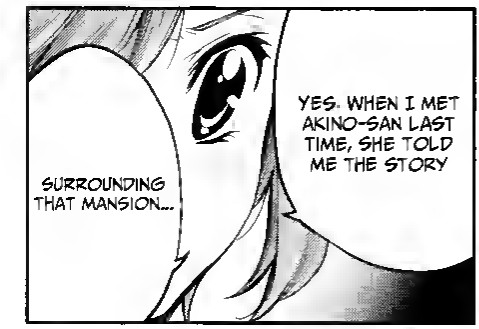

DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
UH...

IT WAS FROM AKINO-SAN, A COLLEGE STUDENT SENPAI OF MINE...

HELLO!
AH, LONG TIME NO SEE.
YES...
YES, UNDERSTOOD. I'LL GO THERE AT ONCE!
Beep


THE MANSION OUTSIDE THE CITY,
IS THAT THE ONE WHOSE OWNER WAS A MAN THAT DIED THREE MONTHS AGO AND IT'S BEEN EMPTY SINCE...?

HAVE YOU HEARD THE RUMORS ABOUT THE WESTERN-STYLE MANSION OUTSIDE THE CITY?
Senpai
NO, I HAVEN'T.


YES. WHEN I MET AKINO-SAN LAST TIME, SHE TOLD ME THE STORY
SURROUNDING THAT MANSION...

FOR A LONG TIME, THE OWNER OF THAT MANSION SUFFERED FROM HEART DISEASE.
SO, HE USED HIS MONEY AND ALL SORTS OF MEANS TO GET A HEART TRANSPLANT PREPARED FOR HIMSELF,
BUT IT WASN'T DONE IN TIME, SO HE PASSED AWAY.

SINCE THEN,
IF YOU WALK BY THAT MANSION ON A RAINY DAY LIKE THIS...
THE MANSION OWNER WILL SUDDENLY APPEAR BEFORE YOU IN A RED GOWN...

GIVE ME
YOUR HEART!!
AND HE PIERCES THE CHEST OF THE PASSER-BY WITH HIS HAND AND TAKES THE HEART...!
I HEARD THERE ARE ACTUALLY PEOPLE WHO ALMOST DIED AFTER THEIR HEART HAD BEEN GRABBED BY THE RED-GOWNED MANSION OWNER.
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EVEN AFTER DYING, TRYING TO STEAL PEOPLE'S HEARTS...
THAT'S AN AMAZING ATTACHMENT TO LIFE THERE.
AKINO-SAN AND OTHERS ARE NOW GOING TO INVESTIGATE
WHETHER THAT STORY IS TRUE OR NOT.
YOU MAY EVEN HAVE SEEN THE ONE IN CHARGE ON TV, PROFESSOR OOYAGI HIMSELF!
PROFESSOR OOYAGI... NOW THAT YOU MENTION HIM,
HE'S FAMOUS FOR BEING ANTI-OCCULT..
I WILL SCIENTIFICALLY DISPROVE THE EXISTENCE OF GHOSTS OR UFOS!
HYAHAHA HA HA!
'KUFESSOR OOYAGI HIDEO (58)
AT THE SAME TIME, HE'S A RESEARCHER IN BOTH NAME AND REALITY, WHOSE THESIS ABOUT THE "ANALYSIS OF THE STRUCTURE OF INTERCELLULAR CATALYST",
THAT WAS ANNOUNCED LAST YEAR, WAS DESCRIBED AS A GROUNDBREAKING DISCOVERY.

SENPAI, WILL YOU COME WITH US TOO?
I'M NOT INTERESTED IN SUCH RUMORS.
トゥルルル!
!
It's an old one.
...THIS TIME THE TV TURNED OFF...
.....
..... IT COULDN'T BE
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GRANDMA TELLING ME NOT TO GO?
BECAUSE YOU COULD HAVE YOUR HEART TAKEN AS WELL, KINOSHITA-SAN...
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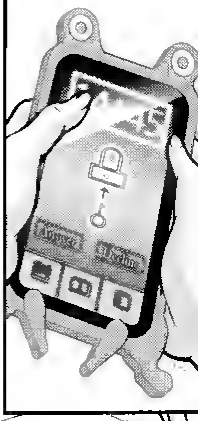
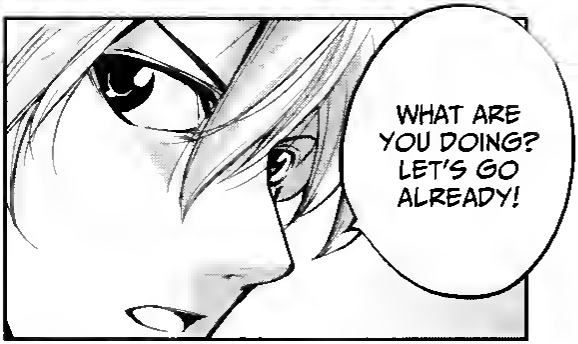
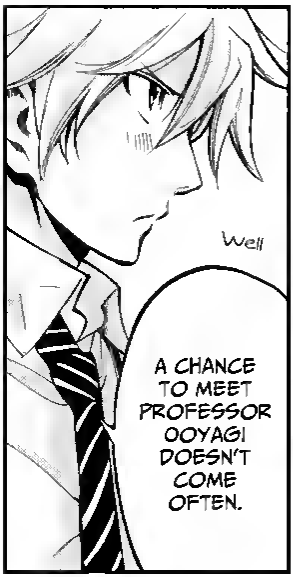
ALTHOUGH I'M SCARED OF GOING ALONE...
BUT I WILL GO!




WHAT ARE YOU DOING? LET'S GO ALREADY!


Well
A CHANCE TO MEET PROFESSOR OOYAGI DOESN'T COME OFTEN.

EH!?
SENPAI, WHAT HAPPENED? YOU SAID YOU WEREN'T INTERESTED...

ARE YOU GOING? OR NOT?
Kinoshita
I'M GOING!
.....
PRESIDENT, SOMETHING MIGHT REALLY HAPPEN,
SO PLEASE CONTACT NIKAIDOU-SAN JUST IN CASE!
Sure
Scrapaaa!!

Senpai, you pervert!
I- I'M NOT SCARED AT ALL!
IT'S JUST THAT I'M COLD BECAUSE OF THE RAIN
Per-vert??
.....
YOUR LEGS ARE SHAKING.
WHAT'S WRONG, KINOSHITA? ARE YOU SCARED?
EH?

IT'S UNUSUAL FOR YOU TO BE HERE WHEN THERE ISN'T EVEN A CASE.

AH! NIKADOU-SAN.
!

YOU'RE HERE EARLY.
YEAH.

WHERE IS KIJIMA-SAN TODAY?
HE WENT TO PARIS AT INTERPOL'S REQUEST.
I'M HERE AS A BODY-GUARD.
For an important advisor
SAME WITH YOU, NIKAIDOU-SAN.
YEAH.
THAT'S THE RUMORED MANSION OVER THERE.
IN-SPEC-TOR,
INDEED.
HE'S SO BUSY...
As usual
SHH!
!
!
DO YOU HEAR SOME-THING?
I WONDER IF AKINO-SAN IS OKAY...

I DON'T HEAR ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR...
THESE EARS OF MINE,
THANKS TO MY ADVANCED BRAIN, CAN AMPLIFY SOUND, MAKING IT 1000 BETTER THAN THAT OF A NORMAL PERSON.
I CAN PERCEIVE SOUND AS LOW AS -60 DB.
I HEAR... A WOMAN SCREAMING.
LISTEN CAREFULLY.
...EH?
COULD IT BE AKINO-SAN'S VOICE!?
PRO-FES-SOR!
PROFESSOR DOYAGI
WE NEED TO HURRY!

TOUOU UNIVERSITY
AKINO SAYAKA (21)
AKINO-SAN!
WHAT IN THE WORLD ...!
WHAT HAPPENED !?
THE RED-GOWNED GHOST OF THE MANSION OWNER TOOK PROFESSOR'S HEART...!!
!!!
EH?
RED GOWN ...
?
?!
TOUOU UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR
OOYAGI HIDEO (58)

NO USE THERE'S NO PULSE, IT'S A CARDIO-PULMONARY ARREST
HE'S DEAD.
SO THE RUMORS OF THE MANSION ..WERE TRUE..
TOUOU UNIVERSITY SHIMADA TATSUYA (21)
FROM EXTERNAL APPEARANCE, THE HEART WASN'T TAKEN..
BUT THE CARDIO-PULMONARY FUNCTION WAS.

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